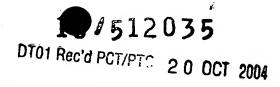
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| CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE                                    | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED                           |  |  |  |
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| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/U   | S) the following items and other information:   |  |  |  |
| 1. X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.  | ·   |  |  |  |
| 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing un   | der 35 U.S.C. 371.                              |  |  |  |
| 3. X This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) ltems (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. | )) The submission must include                  |  |  |  |
| 4. X The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (A  | Article 31).                                    |  |  |  |
| 5. X A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))  |   |  |  |  |
| a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmittal by the Inte  | rnational Bureau).                              |  |  |  |
| b. x have been transmitted by the International Bureau.  |   |  |  |  |
| c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Re   | eceiving Office (RO/US).                        |  |  |  |
| 6. X A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371( c )(2)).  |   |  |  |  |
| a. x Is attached hereto.   |   |  |  |  |
| b. Has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C 154(d)(4).   |   |  |  |  |
| 7. X Amendment to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (   | 35 U.S.C.37 ( c)(3))                            |  |  |  |
| a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the Interr  | national Bureau).                               |  |  |  |
| b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.   |   |  |  |  |
| c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.   |   |  |  |  |
| d. x have not been made and will not be made.  |   |  |  |  |
| 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Art   | ticle 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).                 |  |  |  |
| 9. X An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).  |   |  |  |  |
| 10. X An English language translation of the annex to the International Preliminary Exa  | amination Report under PCT Article 36           |  |  |  |
| (35 U.S.C 371( c)(5)). Items 11. to 20. below concern document(s) or information included:   |   |  |  |  |
| 11. X An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.  | •   |  |  |  |
| 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance v   | with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.          |  |  |  |
| 13. X A FIRST preliminary amendment.   |   |  |  |  |
| 14. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.  |   |  |  |  |
| 15. A substitute specification.  |   |  |  |  |
| 16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.   |   |  |  |  |
| 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule   | 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 – 1.825.            |  |  |  |
| 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)  | (4).  |  |  |  |
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| 20. X Other items or information: A copies of the cover sheet from the PCT Publish Priority Document                               | ned Application, and the cover sheet from the   |  |  |  |
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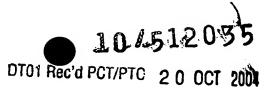
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| Claims Number Filed Number Extra Rate   | \$  |              |  |  |  |
| Total Claims 17 - 20 = 0 X \$ 18.00   | <u> </u>  |              |  |  |  |
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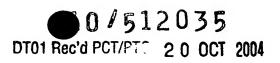


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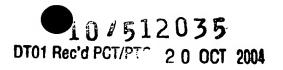
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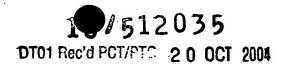


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